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The Honorable Charles L. A. Terreni
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Re: Application of Midlands Utility, Incorporated ("Midlands") for Extension of
Sanitary Sewer Service Area to Include Empire Estate Phase III
Docket No. 2006-36-S

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The purpose of this letter is to advise the Commission that the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has completed its investigation of Midlands' application in the above-referenced matter. On February 2, 2006, ORS performed a site visit in support of the requested expansion area in Orangeburg County. Midlands has provided ORS with all requested information. ORS has reviewed the site plans provided by Midlands and has found them to be acceptable. ORS does not oppose Midlands' expansion request into Orangeburg County.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Wendy B. Cartledge

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